By the King.

A PROCLAMATION

For Suppreſſion of POPERY.

CHARLES R.

WHereas in purſuance of Our Gracious Aſſurances to both Houſes of Parliament at the late Prorogation, to let all Our Subjects ſee that no care can be greater then Our own, in the effectual Suppreſſing of Popery, We were pleaſed the Fourteenth of this inſtant November, in Council, to Direct and Command the Lord Steward and Lord Chamberlain of Our Houſehold to hinder all Papiſts, and Popiſh Recuſants, or reputed Papiſts and Popiſh Recuſants from having acceſs to Our Preſence, or to Our Palace, or the place where Our Court ſhall be, from and after the Eighteenth day of this inſtant November, and did then likewiſe Command the Judges of Our Courts at Weſtminſter, to conſider of the moſt effectual means of putting the Laws in Execution for preventing the Growth of Popery, and ſpeedily to Report the ſame to Us: Now for the more effectual Suppreſſion of Popery in all parts of Our Kingdom, and Preſervation of the true Religion Eſtabliſhed, We do hereby Declare and Publiſh Our further Will and Pleaſure, and alſo ſtrictly Charge and Command all the Judges of Our Courts at Weſtminſter, Juſtices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bayliffs, and other Our Officers and Miniſters of Juſtice whatſoever, That they do forthwith take effectual care for the Proſecution of all Papiſts and Popiſh Recuſants, according to the Laws and Statutes of this Realm; And for that purpoſe, That they give the ſaid Laws in Charge at their reſpective Aſſizes, Gaol-deliveries and Quarter-Seſſions, and then and there take order that ſuch Papiſts and Popiſh Recuſants, or perſons ſuſpected to be ſo, may be ſpeedily Preſented, Indicted and Convicted according to Law, and that due Proceſs be from time to time iſſued thereupon.

Given at Our Court at *Whitehall* the Twentieth day of *November* 1673. In the Twenty fifth year of Our Reign.

God ſave the King.

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